

Shall Brainerd Surrender Its City Charter and Become a Town Again?

No, No, No, No, No, No,

In the popular answer. Then if we intend to remain a city why not adopt city customs.

This city has outgrown the days of country general stores with dry goods on one side, clothing on the other, and groceries, flour and feed at the end. Now I will ask the good people of Brainerd and vicinity another question and know the answer will again be

No, No, No, No, No!

Was there ever a time in the history of Brainerd until I opened an exclusive

Flour

AND

FEED STORE

That you could buy at Living Prices

FLOUR,

SHORTS,

BRAN,

GROUND FEED,

OATS,

BARLEY

WHEAT, CORN,

Buckwheat,

MEAL,

And Everything with-out exception that can be manufactured from cereals.

Then is it not your duty to support me in my endeavor to cater to the wants of the general public in my line of merchandise, for without your support Brainerd cannot have an exclusive

Flour and Feed

STORE,

where you can buy everything in my line as low as

The Lowest.

I Buy in Car Lots and Devote my Entire Attention to the Business, so I can sell very close for

CASH.

Thanking you for past hearty support, I am yours to command.

A. L. HOFFMAN,

No. 62 Front Street.

Local News

Mrs. Fred Puhler has returned to Duluth.

Turkeys have been roosting high this week.

The boys are all wondering "who lost the pin."

The high school building at Anoka burned on Tuesday.

Thanksgiving services were duly observed in this city.

Buy your dry goods at W. H. Weibler's. Thevet's old stand.

Hon. J. R. Hovde visited St. Paul and Minneapolis Tuesday.

H. S. Totten went below Tuesday night to purchase goods.

Our people will have something rich in the "German Volunteer."

The Lizzie Evans troupe drew out a full house Wednesday evening.

Grand Army benefit on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

H. J. Small and wife were registered at the merchants on Thursday.

Buy your friend a fine box of cigars at E. E. M. Smith's, Front street.

Mr. V. W. Hobbs, of Anoka, has come to Brainerd to spend the winter.

A son of H. C. Stivers has been afflicted with typhoid fever this week.

Brainerd now has an ice rink in full blast. It is located on 9th street.

G. S. Fernald was in St. Paul Tuesday, attending to legal business.

Lep. Metzger is now traveling for Alex Metzger, a cigar holder of St. Paul.

A social dance was held at the Commercial House Thanksgiving evening.

Wm. Seelye is fitting up an ice rink on base ball grounds on 4th street north.

The public schools closed Thursday and Friday on account of Thanksgiving.

Lap robes cheap at Day & Meagher's.

Underwear! Underwear! Underwear! Great slaughter at Day & Meagher's.

Mrs. A. E. Von and children have just returned from a visit to Long Prairie.

W. Stager, recently employed in the N. P. paint shops, has gone to Minneapolis.

The rumor that the Painter Crisp had been frozen stiff on Tuesday was a false report.

Master Huber Hartley, who has been suffering with a severe sore throat, is getting better.

The beautiful snow came on Saturday last, but not in sufficient quantities to make sleighing.

Four boarders can obtain accommodations at Mrs. R. E. Gleason's, No. 143, south 5th street.

The opera house will be filled to overflowing on the presentation of the "German Volunteer."

Richard McCarthy, a printer in the employ of the Tribune, has gone to St. Paul, for the winter.

George Hall, of Hillsboro, D. T., is visiting with his daughter Mrs. N. H. Ingersoll, for a few days.

Rev. Fr. Flammang, of Perham, was in the city on Wednesday and Thursday attending the Catholic fair.

Warren Chase is fixing up the building on 6th street next to the Marshall House and will occupy it as a saloon.

We understand that the stock of jewelry of Metzger Bros. will be disposed of by auction before the holidays.

Do not fail to see the "German Volunteer" on Monday night, at the opera house. If you do you will regret it.

Frank Martin, recently bar tender at the Villard, is in Chicago employed by E. M. Greenfield as traveling salesman.

The teachers and scholars ate turkey Thursday and were allowed Friday in which to let the extra allowance digest.

It is asserted on good authority that a clean spot has been found on one of the towels at the leading hotel in this city.

Mrs. C. C. Neal, of Little Falls, came up Friday evening to spend Thanksgiving with her family in Brainerd. C. C. came up Wednesday.

Ladies seal caps in great variety of styles at Day & Meagher's.

Moose hide moccasins with and without hose at Day & Meagher's.

Brainerd has an editor who can pick up a bar of railroad iron weighing 600 pounds, and toss it off with it with the greatest ease.

Too much turkey and the rendering of thanks has knocked us out of one day this week, hence this apology for our late appearance.

The democrats ate their turkeys with unusual gusto this year. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," is on the end of all their tongues.

The trial of J. Bubar, who was brought up for keeping his saloon open after 12 o'clock came off Tuesday. The jury returned a verdict of "not guilty."

The pine woods of Carleton county will now be made hideous with unearthly sounds for some weeks to come. Clouquet has just organized a brass band.

Ed. Mahan and wife left the first of the week for a trip through the southern states. Mr. Mahan will visit the New Orleans exposition before he returns.

Horse blankets! Large stock at Day & Meagher's.

War robes cheap at Day & Meagher's.

Warren Leland came up from Minneapolis Monday night and spent Tuesday with his many friends in this city. He reports his rink in a very prosperous condition.

The county commissioners will be in regular session on Tuesday next. This is their first meeting for two months, as their regular meeting day came on election day last month.

Miss Youker, the teacher in the primary department of the public schools is visiting at Eau Claire this week. During her absence Miss Lucy Gleason has charge of the school.

George A. Keene, wife and child, departed for Ionia, Michigan, on Wednesday, where they will spend a couple of weeks visiting with Mr. Keene's people who live at that place.

E. M. Greenfield, the young New Yorker who spent a few weeks here has established an agency for the sale of celluloid goods of which his father is a large manufacturer, at Chicago.

We hear that certain parties who have been interfering with the East Brainerd school, are likely to find that it is not so funny a thing to meddle with a teachers authority as they supposed.

George A. Johnson, in his performance at the rink on Thursday and Friday was good, although the audience was small on both evenings.

The dinner given by Mr. Ed. Hazen and wife to their friends on Thanksgiving Day, is spoken of as one of the finest ever given in this city.

Comstock, the man who was on trial Saturday for robbing a man at East Brainerd on Thursday last, was bound over to await the action of the grand jury in default of bail he languishes behind the bars.

The post office news stand has been closed this week on account of an increase of the stock being taken by Cable & Smith who have purchased the same. The drug store will be moved into that room.

Beecher, the Brainerd pugilist whom Donaldson of Minneapolis once offered to knock out, offered to fight the professor to a finish at that city on Saturday night of last week, but Donaldson did not respond.

The district court at Brainerd on the 12th of the present month granted a divorce to Maud Clifford from William Clifford. Maud Clifford is now one of the performers at the Duluth Variety theatre.

Mr. Saphir gives Brainerd talent a compliment by saying that this is one of two towns where the play "German Volunteer" was rehearsed without the books the first night of his arrival, and he has been producing the play for many years.

Last Friday night some shivering tramp walked into Dr. Camp's office and borrowed his overcoat to protect himself from the chilly blasts of the "Manitoba waves," and forgot to return it. It would not be well for the doctor to catch the fellow with it on.

F. J. Smith, the popular front street barber, will leave for the south about the first of January. He will visit the great exposition at New Orleans and the Hot Springs of Arkansas before his return. During his absence John Cochran will have charge of his shop.

The Sun published at Little Falls is so elated over the election of the democratic ticket that it forthwith paints the sanctum a bright vermilion and prints its outside pages in brilliant red ink and the inside in blue. It was a "red-letter" day in the period of its existence.

It is with pleasure that we call attention to the large stock of Stewart Oval Parlor stoves at Conklin, Clark & Co's. They are acknowledged to be the best in the world, and we understand, many more of them are sold than all other kinds in the United States put together. They cost no more than is often asked for an inferior article.

J. H. Linnemann, of St. Joseph, this state was married on Wednesday. J. H. Koop and wife were in attendance at the ceremony. Mrs. Koop is a daughter of Mr. Linnemann. The following notice is taken from the St. Cloud Times:

Mr. J. H. Linnemann, of St. Joseph, and Mrs. Peter Kraemer, of this city, were married in the cathedral this morning, and, shortly after breakfast, left for their home in St. Joe. Both the contracting parties were among the first settlers of Stearns county, and have a wide circle of acquaintances, whose best wishes will go out to them.

New stock of carpets just received at Day & Meagher's.

In another column will be found the advertisement of the entertainment which will be given by Pap Thomas Post No. 30, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of next week. The proceeds of this entertainment will be given to the charity fund. Will D. Saphar, of Philadelphia, has arrived and is rehearsing the play, the "German Volunteer" with the balance of the company which is made up of the best talent in Brainerd. The play is replete with stirring incidents and exciting scenes of the late war. The admission has been reduced to 50 and 35 cents and no one can afford to miss seeing it.

A new drop curtain has been placed in the opera house and was exhibited to the public for the first time on Wednesday night. It is an advertising curtain and the following firms are represented: Mrs. H. Thayer, millinery; Commercial Hotel, Day & Meagher, general outfitters; White & White, contractors and builders; A. Olson, merchant tailor; H. S. Totten, boots and shoes; F. M. Cable & Co., druggists; J. B. Robinson, photographer; B. M. Westfall, gent's furnishings; Max Shapiro, meat market; G. B. Fernald, insurance and collection agency; Cohen Bros., dry goods and fancy goods; Mrs. A. L. Vance, restaurant; A. T. Brooks, laundry; J. L. Smith, jeweler; L. Dodge, cigars; M. K. Swartz, furniture; F. H. Elvidge, wood and coal. The curtain is a very handsome one.

Report of Brainerd public schools for month of November, 1884.

Number of pupils enrolled - 460

Average daily attendance - 396

Per cent of attendance - 86

Banner school, room No. 5.

Lincoln school, Miss Dobner, teacher.

J. A. WILSON, Principal.

Entirely too Utter.

An elegant line of fancy lamps, china and amber goods just received. Remember all purchases of \$5. entitles the person to a chance on the \$65 silver tea set.

J. L. SMITH & CO., Jewelers.

Deaths.

Died at her residence in East Brainerd, on Thursday, of consumption, Mrs. Eliza Livingood, aged 32 years. Mr. L. had but recently moved to Brainerd from Kansas with his family on account of his wife's health, but the change did her no good, and the fatal disease claimed its victim. Rev. S. White preached the funeral sermon on Friday.

Died, on Wednesday afternoon, at her residence, No. 182, 6th street south, Mrs. Celia Lashawa, aged 77 years. The cause of Mrs. Lashawa's death was extreme old age. Funeral services were held in the Catholic church on Thursday afternoon.

Excursion.

A special teacher's excursion from St. Paul to New Orleans and return—tickets good for forty days—will leave St. Paul on Dec. 25. Tickets, round trip, \$35.15.

No pains will be spared to make this a pleasant trip, and it is estimated by the manager, Hon. B. F. Wright, that the total expenses will not exceed \$75. For particulars address B. F. Wright, superintendent of schools, St. Paul.

W. A. FLEMING.

If you want to buy boots and shoes at low figures the place to go is at Wadham's and don't you forget it.

Fatal Accident.

You are sure to meet with some fatal accident unless you are armed with some of those fine cigars that Smith is selling. Corner of Fifth and Front streets.

Are You Thankful?

A few people and why they should render thanks during the year to come:

W. W. Hartley—That his chances for retaining the post-office are good.

S. H. Helf—That his term of office does not expire Jan. 1st, for he never will be elected to it again.

George Mosher—That he did not bet that brick block on New York.

Judge Douglas—That in courts above where all is love, there'll be no tramps admitted.

Fred Stanley—That the boys are not onto the real facts in the case, anyhow.

Dr. Parsons—That his creditors do not suspect he would play them so dirty a trick, otherwise things might have been different.

Wm. Martin—That there is nothing in the Brainerd ordinances prohibiting a good old democratic yell.

A. J. Halstead—That he did not commence a criminal libel suit as intended, because a brother journalist spoke too harshly about his unpaid house rent.

F. H. Elvidge—That the boys promised not to give it away.

Slipp & Spaulding—That they did not engage the bicyclist for a month. He was good but failed to draw a crowd.

Mayor Gardner—That he is onto the haunts of the gambling fraternity, and that they know it.

Officer Fogelstrom—That he was not killed outright during the fracas a week or so ago.

A. E. Taylor—That he did not give the man groceries on tick who now howls about him and who is going to show the people that Mr. Taylor is unfit for an alderman.

W. Dime—That the trustee of masculine beauty does not have to give bonds.

County Treasurer Nevins—That although there will be a heavy strain on the treasury next year, he will hold the strainer.

Frank Thompson—That he won't have the delinquent tax list to make out again inside of two years anyhow.

Charlie Thompson—That the "reform party" didn't get a whack at the office of register of deeds this year.

J. E. Wilson—That he does not have to tell who his deputy will be until he gets ready.

Conklin, Clark & Co.—That the people have to buy stores and that they will persist in giving their orders to them.

H. C. Stivers—That, although he weighs 208 and can shoulder a bar of railroad iron, the Tribune man does not invite him to mortal combat.

Geo. S. Canfield—That he will have a chance to show his military accomplishments on Monday night. It has not been stated whether there will be any "personal telegrams" to be read or not.

A. Detelbach—That Lawyer Fleming let him off on that wager.

Mrs. Sheard, who fell down a flight of stairs while in a somnambulistic state last week, has recovered from the shock sufficiently to be around the house.

Thanksgiving Day.

Thanksgiving day was celebrated in the good old fashioned way, which, of course, involved big family dinners. The majority celebrated in that way, the usual religious services taking place in the morning. Business was generally suspended in the afternoon, the post-office and banks and public schools being closed that all might participate. The Congregational people held a supper at the corner of 7th and Front streets which was well patronized, the Ladies' Aid Society realizing some \$50 from the proceeds. During the evening a fine embroidered table scarf was voted to Miss Hitchcock, the other contestant being Miss Kate White. Taking everything into consideration the occasion was very enjoyable.

At the Methodist church the entertainment was good, rather better than the average Sabbath school concert. The juveniles did well. The choir singing was fine. The instrumental music by Miss Scott and Miss Robinson and Messrs. Daggett and Royal was well received. The song by Miss Mulrine was well rendered and the young lady earnestly encouraged, but she did not respond. The recitations of Mrs. J. Davenport, especially the "Declaration Day" were listened to with much attention. In fact the older ones did as well as the juveniles. But the entertainment would have been incomplete had it not been for Doc Johnson and his scientific lecture, and Mr. W. J. Bain and his modern sermon, both of which were well worth going miles to hear. The house was packed to overflowing and the receipts were consequently quite large.

A Brilliant Wedding.

On Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock the wedding bells pealed forth their merry chimes in honor of the marriage of Mr. S. W. Quinn to Miss R. W. Willis, both of this city. The notable occasion took place at the Catholic Church in the presence of the friends and acquaintances of the contracting parties, J. M. Quinn acting as groomsmen, and Miss B. McGovern as bridesmaid, the Rev. Father Teutenberg performing the ceremony. In the evening a reception was given the newly married couple at the residence of the bride's parents on Ninth street south, and which was attended by a very select company. A elegant supper was prepared for the invited guests after which dancing and music was indulged in. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Willis, and is well known to the people of Brainerd. The groom is an employee of the Northern Pacific railroad company and has a circle of friends that is as large and unbounded as are the well wishes which attend the twain in their new relation. The following array of presents were tendered the couple:

Two hundred dollars in cash, Jas. Willis, Sr., father of the bride.

Silver cake basket, Mr. and Mrs. John Willis.

Silver pickle casket, Miss Annie Riley and brother.

China set, Misses Mammie and Annie McCarthy.

Two tidies, Miss Katie Spillane.

Silver butter knife and sugar spoon in case, also silk handkerchief, James Willis.

Silver pickle casket, Thos. Langtry.

Silver cushion, Mrs. A. M. Langtry.

Table linen and napkins, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Shaver.

Gold breast-pin, Jas. Farley.

Marble topped center table, Angus McPhail.

Two sets of silver spoons from groom to bride.

Clothes brush and velvet case, Miss B. McGovern.

Envelope containing fifty dollars, J. M. Quinn.

Silver pickle casket, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Gray.

Looking glass, Miss Jessie Helpp.

Two linen towels, Miss Annie Martin.

China tea set, the Messrs. Meekins.

Wine set, the Messrs. Can.

Toilet set, Miss Mary Burke.

Silver napkin rings, Mr. John McCormick.

Vases and fruit dish, John Canan.

Silver butter dish, Mrs. J. K. Pierce.

To Rent.

The best store room in the best location in the city, to rent after Dec. 14, Cable's old stand, SLEEPER BLOCK, at the corner of C. B. SLEEPER, or of J. L. SMITH at the jewelry store.

Special Commissioners' Meeting.

W. W. Hartley of Brainerd, Gov. Wm. R. Marshall and Capt. O. G. Merriman are special United States commissioners, appointed to condemn certain lands lying around White Fish and Cross lakes, on the Pine river, tributary to the head waters of the Mississippi, for the purposes of completing the great reservoir system in connection with Upper Mississippi navigation. The commissioners are in session in the office of Clerk Spencer, United States district court, St. Paul. The land is to be condemned under an act of Congress of August 2, 1882, entitled "an act making appropriations for the construction, repair and preservation of certain works on rivers and harbors and for other purposes." The land in question covers about 2,600 acres near Cross Lake and White Fish Lake in Cass county, this state. The principal owners are the Northern Pacific railroad company, the Central Trust Company of New York, the Farmers Loan and Trust company of the city of New York, J. Deane, David M. Clough, James Patten, Henry B. Frey, N. L. Pine, Benjamin F. Nelson, William M. Tenney and Hugh W. McNair, of Minneapolis. It is the duty of the commissioners to appraise the value of the land and issue affidavits to the amount of indemnity to which the owners are entitled from the government. This involves the taking of a mass of testimony, and the session of the commissioners will probably last several days.

Do Not Fail to Attend.

On next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, Dec. 1, 2 and 3, Pap Thomas Post, G. A. R., will present in the Sleeper Opera house the exceedingly entertaining play of "The German Volunteer." The following will be the CAST OF CHARACTERS:

Deitrick, Will D. Saphar

Katharina, G. S. Fernald

Horace St. Clare, G. S. Fernald

Volter Morton, C. S. A., W. W. Havens

Col. St. Clare, A. J. Halsted

John Harry, C. S. A., B. S. McMahon

Charlie White, E. T. Furness

Milton Dare, W. H. Wilson

Uncle Jeff, C. D. Johnson

Sam, Wallace Bain

Teddy, C. S. A., Wm. E. Seelye

Joe Burk, C. S. A., Wm. E. Seelye

General, U. S. A., W. P. Spaulding

Colonel, U. S. A., A. J. Halsted

Pete West, C. S. A., T. C. Meekins

General, C. S. A., C. V. Wadham

Major Clark, C. S. A., C. V. Wadham

May St. Clare, Miss Jennie Patridge

Mrs. St. Clark Howard

Lizzie Morton, Mrs. G. S. Fernald

Soldiers, Guerrillas, Negroes, etc., by members of Pap Thomas Post.

Admission 35 and 20c. Seats reserved without extra charge at Cable's drug store.

Don't Smoke.

But if you will persist, why go where you can get pure and wholesome goods. Smith keeps them.

Another New Railroad.

Thursday articles of the incorporation of the Aitken, Mille Lacs & Minneapolis railway company were filed with the secretary of state. The proposed line is to run from Aitken to some point on the north or east shore of Mille Lacs Lake and then southerly to Minneapolis. The principal place of business is Aitken. The capital stock is \$1,000,000 divided into 20,000 shares of \$50 each.

The incorporators are D. J. Knox, C. W. McDonald, J. J. McDonald, F. E. Kitch, Thos. R. Foley of Aitken, W. W. Parkdale, Spearfish, L. T. Moses McKinney, Minneapolis, and G. W. Knox, of Orange City Fla.

Complete.

Our stock of Diamonds, fine jewelry and silverware is now complete for the holidays. You cannot fail to find something suitable for a present.

J. L. SMITH & CO., Jewelers.

Calf boots! Who's stock for \$2.50 at Day & Meagher's.

Ladies' high button overshoe cheap at Day & Meagher's.

Great bargains in trunks and valises at Day & Meagher's.

New oil cloth just received at Day & Meagher's.

Real seal caps, new shapes at Day & Meagher's.

Buffalo coats will be higher every year, and soon be out of the market. Secure

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